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**Bazargan defends colleague
against 'spy contact' charge**

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Former Iranian Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan defended his ex-cabinet colleague, Abbas Amir Entezam, who was named last week by students occupying the US Embassy in Tehran as a contact for American spies. Mr. Bazargan, a member of the ruling Revolutionary Council, was quoted as saying that he did not think it "an offense for a prime minister, minister, or ambassador, whose job it is to contact and exchange opinions with foreign officials, . . . to have such contacts."